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## **AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed May 9, 2001, a reply to which is due August 9, 2001, please amend the above-identified application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.121 as follows:

## **IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

At page 1, replace the paragraph beginning at line 25 and ending at page 2, line 9 with the following:

In the prior art, however, a conductive film 5a, a ferroelectric film 4a and a conductive film 3a are formed to a thickness to provide an upper electrode 5, a ferroelectric film 4 and a lower electrode 3, so that dry etching is then conducted throughout a total film thickness in order to remove unwanted portions of these films. Thus, the prior art has